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PATENT APPLICATION

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
 Takeshi Yasumoto, et al. ) Examiner: S. Brase  
 Application No.: 09/978,213 ) Group Art Unit: 2852  
 Filed: October 17, 2001 )  
 For: Driving Force Transmission Mechanism, )  
 Image Forming Apparatus Equipped )  
 With Such A Mechanism, and Process )  
 Unit of Such An Apparatus : January 23, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.



No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	52	MINUS	50	= 2	x \$9 \$18	\$36
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	3	= 3	x \$42 \$84	\$252
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140°/\$280						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT—						\$288



°Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

A check in the amount of \$288 is enclosed.

Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

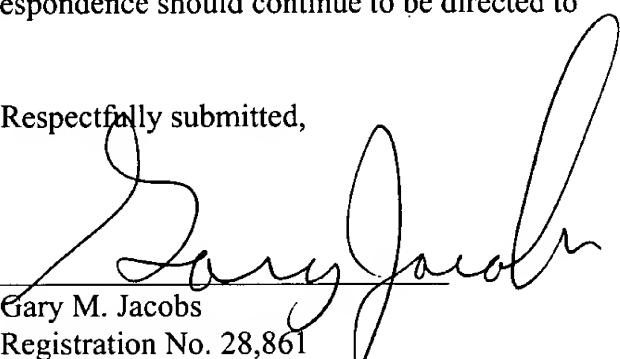
Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the October 23, 2002 Office Action, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 37 and 38 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.